

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.-11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 35, wherein the group of flowers comprises roses.

13. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 35, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image is on at least one of:

- (i) a petal of a flower in the group of flowers; or
- (ii) a leaf of a flower in the group of flowers.

14. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 35, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image includes at least one of:

- (i) a character;
- (ii) a number;
- (iii) a logo;
- (iv) a picture;
- (v) a symbol;
- (vi) a design;
- (vii) an icon; and
- (viii) a trademark.

15. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 35, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image has been pad-printed through a transfer printing technique.

16.-25. (canceled)

26. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 37, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image includes at least one of:

- (i) a character;
- (ii) a number;
- (ix) a logo;
- (x) a picture;
- (xi) a symbol;
- (xii) a design;
- (xiii) an icon; and
- (xiv) a trademark.

27. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 35, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image has been machine printed through a transfer printing technique.

28-34. (canceled)

35. (previously presented) A product comprising:

a group of flowers, each flower having a stem and one or more petals, wherein said one or more petal(s) is free of an etched or cut image; and

a repeatable, identical, pad-printed image provided on said petal that is free from an etched or cut image, said image selected from the group of:

a communication from a sender of the group of flowers to an individual recipient of the group of flowers;

a personalized communication to the individual recipient of the group of flowers;

a generic message to recipients in general; and

a commemoration of an event.

36. (canceled)

37. (previously presented) A product comprising:

a group of flowers, each flower having a stem and one or more petals, wherein said one or more petal(s) is free from cuttings or markings of a laser; and

a repeatable, identical, pad-printed image provided on each of said petal that is free from cuttings or markings of a laser, said image selected from the group of:

a communication from a sender of the group of flowers to a recipient of the group of flowers;

a personalized communication to the individual recipient of the group of flowers;

a generic message to recipients in general; and

a communication commemorating an event.

38. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 37, wherein the group of flowers comprises roses.

39. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 37, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image is on at least one of:

- (i) a petal of a flower in the group of flowers; or
- (ii) a leaf of a flower in the group of flowers.

40. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 37, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image has been pad-printed through a transfer printing technique.

41. (previously presented) A product as recited in claim 37, wherein the repeatable, identical, pad-printed image has been machine printed through a transfer printing technique.